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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of one (1) month (from July 30, 2004 to August 16, 2004) within which to respond to the Office Action dated April 30, 2004. The extension fee of \$55.00 is included in the enclosed check. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Order No. A-70424/AJT (463031-31)).

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